

Melissa Weipert

From: Melissa Weipert
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2014 9:26 AM
To: Joseph Underwood
Subject: FW: HB 4916

Joe,

Mr. Kriete is not able to attend committee today but would like this email to serve as his written testimony in support of HB 4916.

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From: jack kriete [mailto:bosn149@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2014 2:22 PM
To: Rep. Wayne Schmidt (District 104)
Cc: Rep. Terry L. Brown (District 84)
Subject: HB 4916

Dear Mr. Schmidt:

As President of the Harbor Beach Lions Club, and Zone Chairman of 11-D2 Region 3, Zone 1, I and the members of the clubs that I represent fully support HB 4916 that makes it possible to conduct fund raising efforts on the streets of Michigan.

This activity has been in effect for many years and is utilized by many organizations such as Lions, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Knights of Columbus, among others.

The benefits of such undertaking through the Lions Clubs has been helpful to many thousands of people throughout the years. For instance, the donations realized by the Harbor beach Lions Club have been a benefit to organizations such as Leader Dog, Bear Lake Camp (a camp for handicapped children), the Michigan Eye Bank, the Kidssight Program (which provides eye screening to children under 5 years of age, free to the public), and many other worthwhile activities.

By not being able to raise funds in this manner there will be a great many needy people that will not be assisted in the manner that has been the past practice. This may put additional pressure on some public programs that already are feeling the pinch of the current economy.

I, and the Lions that I represent, urge passage of this bill as soon as possible.